

**From:** Richard Fetzer/R3/USEPA/US  
**Sent:** 1/6/2012 8:42:14 PM  
**To:** "Dennis Carney" <carney.dennis@epa.gov>  
**CC:**  
**Subject:** Fw: from AP re: Dimock - Please handle

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----- Original Message -----

From: Betsaida Alcantara  
Sent: 01/06/2012 08:30 PM EST  
To: "Rubinkam, Michael" <mrubinkam@ap.org>  
Cc: Terri-A White; Richard Fetzer; Trish Taylor; David Sternberg; Brendan Gilfillan  
Subject: Re: from AP re: Dimock - Please handle

Michael,  
I want to reiterate what the statement says, no decision has been made. As I said, if anything changes we will keep you posted.

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From: "Rubinkam, Michael" [mrubinkam@ap.org]  
Sent: 01/06/2012 11:42 PM GMT  
To: Betsaida Alcantara  
Cc: Terri-A White; Richard Fetzer; Trish Taylor; David Sternberg; Brendan Gilfillan  
Subject: RE: from AP re: Dimock - Please handle

I now have a third resident who recounted an identical conversation with EPA. Ms. Alcantara, it's one thing for EPA to issue a no-comment. It's entirely another thing to say, as you did at 2:10, that "No decision has been made by EPA to provide alternate sources of water." That's a false statement, unless all three residents are horribly mistaken about what they were told.

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From: Betsaida Alcantara [mailto:Alcantara.Betsaida@epamail.epa.gov]  
Sent: Friday, January 06, 2012 5:53 PM  
To: Rubinkam, Michael  
Cc: Terri-A White; Richard Fetzer; Trish Taylor; David Sternberg; Brendan Gilfillan  
Subject: Re: from AP re: Dimock - Please handle

Michael,  
This is all we have for now. As we continue to survey the area, we will keep everyone informed when we have more information.

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From: "Rubinkam, Michael" [mrubinkam@ap.org]  
Sent: 01/06/2012 09:17 PM GMT  
To: Betsaida Alcantara  
Cc: Terri-A White; Richard Fetzer; Trish Taylor; David Sternberg  
Subject: RE: from AP re: Dimock - Please handle

Folks,  
It's getting late on a Friday afternoon, and I need to get this straightened out ASAP. I know what Betsaida emailed two hours ago, but that's not even close to what Julie Sautner's understanding of the situation is. If EPA has agreed to have water delivered, that's important and I need to report it. Betsaida, are you absolutely sure the information you gave me is accurate, that EPA has not promised to have water delivered? Is it even under consideration?  
Thanks,  
Mike

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From: Rubinkam, Michael  
Sent: Friday, January 06, 2012 2:14 PM  
To: 'Betsaida Alcantara'  
Cc: Terri-A White  
Subject: RE: from AP re: Dimock - Please handle

That is not what Julie Sautner says she was told. She says was told by Richard Fetzer this morning "that they were going to deliver us water" and that the deliveries would begin as early as today, tomorrow at the latest. She says Fetzer told her EPA would use a private contractor.

I don't see how she could have gotten it so dramatically wrong. If Fetzer didn't tell her that, then what did he tell her?

-----Original Message-----

From: Betsaida Alcantara [mailto:Alcantara.Betsaida@epamail.epa.gov]  
Sent: Friday, January 06, 2012 2:10 PM  
To: Rubinkam, Michael  
Cc: Terri-A White  
Subject: Fw: from AP re: Dimock - Please handle

Michael,  
Here's where the Agency is at this time:

At this time, our goal is understanding the situation in Dimock and evaluating additional options, including further sampling. No decision has been made by EPA to provide alternate sources of water.

Betsaida Alcantara  
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From: Terri-A White/R3/USEPA/US  
To: Betsaida Alcantara/DC/USEPA/US@EPA  
Cc: kulik.michael@epa.gov  
Date: 01/06/2012 02:01 PM  
Subject: Fw: from AP re: Dimock - Please handle

Betsaida,

see below.

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From: "Rubinkam, Michael" <mrubinkam@ap.org>  
To: Terri-A White/R3/USEPA/US@EPA  
Date: 01/06/2012 01:57 PM  
Subject: RE: from AP re: Dimock

Thanks. Don't want to be pushy, but can you confirm now that EPA is hiring a private contractor to deliver water to Dimock? We can flesh out with details later.

From: Terri-A White [mailto:White.Terri-A@epamail.epa.gov]  
Sent: Friday, January 06, 2012 12:47 PM  
To: Rubinkam, Michael  
Subject: Re: from AP re: Dimock

Confirming receipt of your question. Will get back to you.

From: "Rubinkam, Michael" <mrubinkam@ap.org>  
To: Terri-A White/R3/USEPA/US@EPA  
Date: 01/06/2012 12:38 PM  
Subject: from AP re: Dimock

Terri  
Please give me a call ASAP. I understand EPA is arranging to have water delivered to the people in Dimock.  
Thanks  
Mike

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